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## Stephen C. Gray Begins Ministry At Langdale, Ala.



May 1, 1973, Stephen C. Gray begins his first full-time pastorate at the Congregational Christian Church in Langdale, Alabama.

Stephen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Gray of Holden, Mass. His father is a senior vice-president for Worcester County National Bank and his mother is a homemaker.

After high school, Stephen graduated from Middleburg College, Middleburg, Vermont, in 1969 with an anthropology-sociology major and from Duke Divinity School, Duke University, Durham, N. C., in 1972.

Since that time he has had a three-month tour of active duty with the U. S. Army at Fort Gordon in Augusta, Ga.

While at Duke, he was the housemaster for freshmen men at Duke. In the summer, he served as a youth director in a Methodist church and as co-director of the Agape Inn Coffee House in Carolina Beach, N. C.

Welcome south and to Langdale Church, Steve Gray.

## ANNUAL MEETING

### June 16-17, 1973

"Celebration of Our Faith" will be the organizing theme for the Seventh Annual meeting of the Southeast Conference U. C. C., June 16 and 17, 1973, on the campus of Southern Union College in Wadley, Alabama.

Each church is entitled to three (3) delegates. Churches having a membership of over one hundred (100) members shall be entitled to one additional voting delegate for each additional 100 members or major fraction thereof.

Ordained and licensed ministers holding standing in an association are voting members of the Conference.

Elected officers of the Conference and members of the Board of Directors are delegates-at-large to the Conference meetings with the right to vote.

Registration begins at 9 a. m. on Saturday, June 16, and the call to order for the Conference will be at 10 a. m.

Dr. Hartland Helmich of the Council for Lay Life and Work and members of the Conference who have shared in Faith Exploration Events will guide the Conference in the "Celebration of Our Faith."

"Learning Centers" will be provided for those desiring to learn about such things as Our Faith, Shalom Curriculum, The Ministry, Aging, Youth Programs, Programs and Materials for Women's Fellowship, Programs and Activities for Laymen's Fellowship, Planning for Social Action, etc.

Further information will be mailed to ministers and churches later.

## TO BE FAITHFUL



to the cause of Jesus Christ in these most interesting and changing times has been the subject of our Sunday evening Faith Explorations under the leadership of Karl and Nancy Warmbrod and Jinny Dollard at Huntsville Church. At this writing, three of the four sessions have been completed. There is still one more scheduled for Palm Sunday evening, April 15, 1973, at 6:45 p. m.

For those of us who have been present (and there have been as many as 25) the experience has been renewing and enlightening. We have come to know one another much better than ever before. And the probing questions asked within our small groups have helped to deepen our faith.

But Faith Exploration must lead into a Faith Encounter with the world — with the powers and principalities which surround us. We are in business to turn the world upside down! As Christians we really mean it when we talk about 'The Kingdom of God.' We want God to rule and through Him we look forward to fulfillment for every human being. This is what the church is all about and everything we do should be measured against that scale.

—H. W. Tuttle

## Pentecost, A Time To Focus On Mission

The Festival of Pentecost, June 10, 1973, is recommended to all congregations of the United Church of Christ as an appropriate time to stress the mission of the church. The Stewardship Council of our denomination has provided material which can be used by leaders of the local church to say "Thank you" to all members

for their support of the church both in the life and witness of the local congregation and also in Our Christian World Mission.

The Southeast News joins the Stewardship Council in saying "Thank you" to you for your part in supporting the wider mission of the church.

## How Members From One Local Church Did It —

1. Huntsville, Alabama, United Church had three lay representatives at the F-E training session of the Southeast Conference in February —

from that experience

2. They conducted two Mini-Faith Explorations on two consecutive Sunday evenings for members of the diaconate (consistory-official board) in their local church. Each was three hours in length. This was done —

in preparation for

3. Conducting four F-Es for all the church members on four Sunday evenings during Lent —

in preparation for

4. Conducting an Ala.-Tenn. Association Faith Exploration at Belvidere, Tennessee April 7 —

to tie in with

5. Strengthening and lending vitality to Southeast Conference identity program and evangelism and church renewal emphases.

## WHAT CAN YOU LOSE?

Recently, a young college student was arrested and convicted for the possession of marijuana, which is a felony. The judge gave him a suspended sentence. Since the penalty seemed light, the young man turned to his lawyer and asked, "What did I really lose?" The lawyer looked at him and replied, "You have lost the right to vote, the right to run for public office, and the right to own a gun."

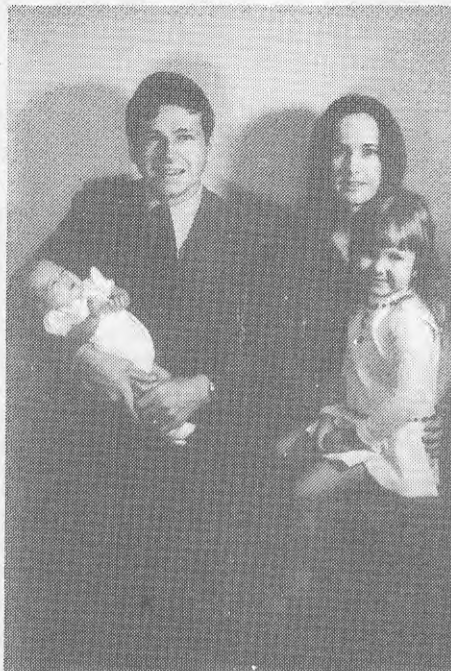
"You have lost the opportunity to ever be a licensed doctor, dentist, lawyer, engineer, CPA, architect, private detective, stockbroker, osteopath, pharmacist, physical therapist, school-teacher, barber or funeral director. You can never get a job where you have to be bonded or licensed. You cannot work for the city, county, state or federal government. You can enlist in the military service, but you will not have a choice of service and will probably be assigned to a labor battalion."

Submitted by Mrs. Karol Hujer,  
Pilgrim News, Pilgrim Church,  
Chattanooga

## Shrago To Nominate

Jackie Shrago of the Brookmeade Church will make the nominating speech to elect Robert Moss for his second term as president of the United Church of Christ at the General Synod in St. Louis, in June, 1973.

## Lowell Church, Roanoke Has Student Minister



Lowell Congregational Christian Church welcomes a new pastor, Wayne Moseley, and his family — wife Sandy, Kim, and Cher.

Mr. Moseley is the student minister at the Lowell Church, Roanoke, Ala., and Dr. Frank McCook of LaGrange College is serving as advisor minister.

Wayne was born September 19, 1949, and is from Reidsville, Georgia. He graduated from the Reidsville High School in 1967, and attended Abraham Baldwin College in Tifton, Ga. in 1967-68.

Before coming to Roanoke, he was sales manager of ROTARY MOWER Parts Company in Glennville, Georgia. While serving the Lowell Church, Wayne is a student at LaGrange College. The Moseleys have two children, and are in the Lowell Church parsonage, 301 Handley Ave., Roanoke.

A service of recognition and installation will be held June 10, 1973, at 11 a. m. This will be Homecoming Sunday and the beginning of the revival.

## Cullman Loses Offering

March 25, 1973, St. John's Church in Cullman, Ala., had an offering of over \$700.00. That afternoon the entire offering was stolen from the church office safe. The office was locked, but the safe was not. Procedure is to count and deposit the money sometime in the early afternoon on Sunday. Needless to say, that procedure was changed immediately.

## LIVE LIFE NOW

The Sunday before we held our PROBLEM CLINIC I quoted from Journal of the Southern Association of Marriage Counselors and was asked to make it available in print:

"One of the causes for marital unhappiness is the inability, or unwillingness of married partners to live life now. Too many tend to live life on the deferred payment plan, always waiting for some future enjoyment or the occurrence of some Utopia at some projected future date. Thus, they intend to enjoy one another, home, love, etc., when the husband gets settled in his job, or when the children are through college, or when the house is paid for, or when the savings account has sufficient proportions to assure security, etc. But, happiness cannot be had on a promissory note basis! Making plans for the future may have its place, but happiness cannot be had on a promissory note basis.

Making plans for the future may have its place, but happiness cannot be confined to dreams — especially unfulfilled dreams!

Happiness must become current; it is something which human beings need NOW! Happiness is a mental attitude and it must become a habit. If we do not practice HAPPINESS, we will never possess it! It is not fair to predicate happiness upon reaching the solution to some problem. By the nature of things, when one problem is solved, another arises. Life is made up of problems and their solutions. These are the things progress is made of, and we should never expect to be free from problems as long as we are in this world. Happiness is internal, not external. Happiness somehow gets all involved in working out such solutions in responsible and mature ways."

—S. L. Johnson

## Parents Of George Fidler Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Norman B. Fidler of 462 Cedarwood Drive, Burlington, N. C. 27215, celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary April 3, 1973. The children, Betty, Norman Jr., and George, did not have a tea or a reception for their parents because of the health of their parents.

This important day in the Fidler family brought greetings from friends, new and old, far and near, to the parents because the children shared the news with their friends. Our best wishes to the Fidlers!

## GAP BETWEEN PULPIT AND PEW

The gap between pulpit and pew in American churches is a fundamental difference of opinion on the purpose of the church and its ministry, according to religious sociologist Yoshio Fukuyama.

In studies of the attitudes of United Church of Christ ministers, seminary students, and lay members, Dr. Fukuyama found no evidence of polarization between pastor and parishioners strictly on the basis of controversial social issues.

"The real gap between clergy and laity is to be found in . . . their different conceptions of the minister's work and the content of the church's program," he writes in his new book "The Ministry In Transition."

In ranking the importance of typical church programs, the laity put church boards and committees and women's groups first. Pastors and seminarians list study and social action groups first, putting lowest priority on the organizations prized by the laity.

The evidence, according to Dr. Fukuyama, suggests that ministers and students for the ministry prefer "cognitive and action-oriented programs" in which the minister is the leader, while the laymen and women place their priority "precisely where they exercise a significant degree of control."

On the other hand the lay members want to see their ministers spending most of their time leading worship, preparing sermons, visiting the sick and bereaved. When they criticize their pastors, it is for spending too little time looking after their congregations.

"Here then," says Dr. Fukuyama, "is the real gap between pulpit and pew: ministers place their highest value on their roles as preacher and prophet; laymen esteem the ministers' priestly and pastoral role above all others."

## Peter Andreae Gets 4-Year Scholarship

Peter Andreae has been chosen as one of three Chattanooga high school seniors to receive four-year National Merit Scholarships. David Andreae has received highest honors at Baylor School, and in the state math contest, David placed in geometry and Geoffrey Slagle placed in Algebra II. Peter Andreae is president of Southeast Conference Youth.

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## B. L. Butler Ordained



On March 25, 1973, representatives of churches of the South Alabama-N. W. Florida Association met at First Congregational Christian Church, Andalusia, Alabama, to ordain B. L. Butler to the Christian ministry. Rev. Joseph H. Brown, chairman of the Committee on Church and Ministry of the Association led the service and was assisted by ministers of the Association and Warren Blankenhorn, Moderator of the Southern Alabama Area Council and by W. J. Andes, of the Southeast Conference.

For the past several years, Mr. Butler has been serving as pastor of First Church, Andalusia.

## The Doctrine Of The Trinity

The Doctrine of the Trinity, Discloses partiality  
In leaving out of Deity all traces of Femininity.

One of the Three should be a she . . .

The writers of Theology Are strong on masculinity

Their doctrine of the Trinity  
Reflects their sex, not God's per se.

One of the three should be a she.

To manifest Divinity Required a real nativity,

And that required maternity, A woman's creativity.

One of the three should be a she.

If adding femininity upsets God's unanimity,

Just rest assured, two out of three comprise a strong majority.

ONE OF THE THREE COULD BE A SHE . . .

Which one of three should be a she?

Because the Cosmos needs a hostess

We recommend this Trinity,

Father, Son and Holy Ghostess.

by Robbins Ralph

## Meaningful Palm Sunday At Midway

Sunday, April 15, 1973, the Midway Congregational Church, Midway, Georgia, broke ground for the building of additional classrooms, a fellowship hall, a library and the pastor's study. Dr. James A. Eaton is the pastor.

Sharing in the groundbreaking were: Mrs. Florence Morrison, Henry B. Frasier, W. J. Andes, J. A. Eaton, Dale Stewart, Sandra D. Roberts, Regina Mullins, Rodney Gress, and the church choir.

The joyous celebration of Palm Sunday continued that evening with the rendition of "No Greater Love," an Easter cantata by John W. Peterson, by 50 members of choirs of the Midway Church and of neighboring churches. The church organist, Mrs. Deborah A. Robinson, directed the cantata, with Juanita S. Smith at the piano and Chaplain G. M. Carmichael of Fort Stewart as narrator.

The cantata set forth gratitude to God for His great love as revealed through Christ at Calvary. The Midway Church was filled to overflowing with more than 250 people sharing in this momentous event of Holy Week.

## Valley Churches Share Lenten Services

The Langdale and Lanett Churches shared Lenten services, alternating between churches. Palm Sunday night, the two churches gathered in the Fellowship Hall of the Lanett Church for a special communion service. Deacons from both churches represented the disciples, each one telling how as a disciple he came to Christ. The congregation was seated around a special table arrangement to partake of the Holy Communion.

Maundy Thursday, the Lanett Church had a communion vigil from 7-9 p. m. The pastor, Harold Auler, served communion at intervals to those who came to the table after they had spent time praying, reading hymns or scripture and meditating in the sanctuary.

Good Friday, the membership of the Lanett Church was asked to have family worship in the homes, reading the Gospel story of the Crucifixion, praying and thanking God for the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ.

Easter Sunday brought the glorious climax of Holy Week and the celebration of the new life in Christ.



# PEOPLE - CHURCHES MAKE NEWS

Birmingham, Pilgrim Church, has a **PROBLEM CLINIC** once a month during the service of worship. Problems are written on a card and are brought or mailed to the church. The pastor or someone else takes time that Sunday to seek solutions or strength to face these problems.

Jaci Chetelat, a recent Southeast Youth officer, is going to France to live with a French family for awhile.

The Choir of Pilgrim Congregational Church, Birmingham, Alabama, presented "Requiem" by Gabriel Faure on Sunday, April 15, 1973.

Donald T. Harris, the church choirmaster-organist, conducted and William Remele was the organist. Soloists were: Hazel Ferguson, Soprano, and David Heer, Baritone.

## The Projectionist At Uplands Retirement Center

One of our youth who can be seen in our church service every Sunday, who often helps with the ushering, and who attends Youth Fellowship meetings regularly, is **Don Peck**, who was confirmed by Pastor Bratz two years ago and received into the Pleasant Hill Church.

Don is a busy person around Uplands. He is projectionist for Ivy Atkinson when movies are shown at Wharton. He helps with the Pleasant Hill water system. The water from the big lake is filtered and purified. Each month a sample is sent to the state department in Nashville, to be tested. Don spends several evenings a week helping.

Because of his interest in this project he thinks he might want to be a sanitary engineer after finishing college. Then again, he likes animals and enjoys taking care of them, so he may want to be a veterinarian. To this end he has his eye on the veterinary school at the University at Knoxville and then to Georgia or Texas U. for graduate study.

## Rufus G. Obrecht

Rufus G. Obrecht was pictured in the Chattanooga newspapers recently on his election as grand high priest of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch



Bonanza House-Chapel with part of anniversary crowd.

## Bonanza Has Victory Service

A victory service with "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" as the main theme, was held at the Bonanza United Church of Christ, Jonesboro, Ga., Sunday, March 25, 1973, in celebration of reaching and surpassing the goal of pledges set for the proposed new church building. The canvassers contacted members and friends of the church on this Sunday for their pledges. Mr. Ray Bachman, from the Board of Homeland Missions, guided and trained the members of the church to this climax.

Much preparation was done in advance to reach a successful canvass Sunday, group meetings in the homes, pamphlets and brochures, much literature informing the members the whys of a new church building program, and the training of the canvassers. The ladies of the church, organized by Mrs. Barbara Greer, provided dinner for the men prior to their canvassing.

On April 12 the Building Committee viewed the preliminary drawings of the proposed church building as presented by Mr. Guy Schneider of East Point, the architect. The land site is about 1/4 mile south of the Bonanza Subdivision of Highway 19-41.

The congregation of the Bonanza United Church of Christ, led by Rev. L. Floyd Carmack, presently meets in a house chapel adjacent to the shopping center of the Bonanza subdivision. The Sunday School meets here and at the parsonage on Eagle Drive.

The Bonanza Church had the best attendance ever on Easter Sunday with 161 at worship. During the first four Sundays of April, the average attendance was 110 and the average offering was \$409.45. The church now has \$11,846.74 in the Building Fund.

—Lorelei Bonner

Masons of Tennessee at their annual meeting in Nashville. This is the highest office in the state for Royal Arch Masons.

Mr. Obrecht served as Moderator of Southeast Conference in recent years.

## Emerson Poste Dies At Age 84

Emerson Peck Poste, distinguished scientist instrumental in establishing the Chattanooga area air pollution control program over 30 years ago, died Thursday, March 1, at a Chattanooga nursing home. He was 84.

Mr. Poste was a member of Pilgrim Congregational Church, Chattanooga, and served 10 years as superintendent of the church school, 12 years as church clerk, three years as moderator and as chairman of its board of trustees.

In 1964 the Chattanooga Section of the American Chemical Society honored Mr. Poste for his more than 50 years of contributions to chemistry, and in 1968, the society presented him its first Distinguished Service Award for outstanding contributions to his profession.

Our sympathy is extended to his family, which includes a son, Edward A. Poste, two daughters, Mrs. E. L. Cook, and Mrs. J. M. Gager, both of Chattanooga, and 13 grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

## Nashville Brookmeade Plans May Seminar

Brookmeade Church in Nashville will have a Seminar in Aging in May. The first session will deal with the physical and physiological aspects of aging with Dr. Kempmeier of Vanderbilt and Mrs. Grace McConnell of Senior Citizens as guest leaders.

The second session deals with the financial aspects of aging. The third session deals with nursing homes and the last session will deal with programs offered to the senior citizen and the spiritual needs.

## The Monthly Visitor- St. John's U.C. Cullman Says:

ACCORDING TO A RECENT SURVEY THE FOLLOWING ARE THE REASONS WHY PEOPLE CHOOSE TO JOIN A PARTICULAR CHURCH:

- 5 percent choose a church because of the man in the pulpit.
- 9 percent choose a church because of the beauty of its building.
- 12 percent choose a church because of prior denominational affiliation.
- 18 percent choose a church because of convenience to their homes.
- 22 percent choose a church because there are people in the church whom they respect.
- 34 percent choose a church because their neighbors and friends invited them.

## UNITED CHURCH TOURS

No. 7 — EUROPE-HOLY LAND, June 7-24,  
\$1187 from Boston  
No. 8 — HAWAII, June 11-19, price pending  
No. 9 — TURKEY-MIDDLE EAST, June  
13-July 2, \$1196 from New York

No. 10 — INDIA-HOLY LAND, June  
18-July 9, price pending  
No. 11 — HOLY LAND SUMMER  
SESSION, July 2-20, \$1139 from N. Y.  
No. 12 — EUROPE-RUSSIA, July 9-30,  
\$1269 from New York

No. 13 — EUROPE-HOLY LAND, July 17-  
August 7, \$1195 from New York  
No. 14 — AMERICAN INDIAN, August 7-  
17, price pending  
No. 15 — SCANDINAVIA-ENGLAND,  
August 1-20, \$990 from New York

No. 16 — SOUTH AMERICA-AFRICA,  
August 7-28, approximately \$1525 from  
New York  
No. 17 — AFRICA-HOLY LAND, Aug. 9-30,  
\$1280 from Boston  
No. 18 — INDIA, September 27-October 15,  
price pending

No. 19 — HOLY LAND-ATHENS, October  
15-25, \$747 from New York  
No. 20 — EUROPE, November 3-11, price  
pending  
No. 21 — EUROPE-HOLY LAND, July  
dates being set, price pending

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## RELIEF CONTINUES FOR BANGLADESH



Pictured above is a little girl of Rangpur in  
Bangladesh who has just received her milk  
ration.

Following the floods of 1970 and the war  
of 1971, the new nation of Bangladesh faced  
overwhelming relief and rehabilitation  
needs. Today, the Bangladesh Ecumenical  
Relief and Rehabilitation Service (BER-  
RS) coordinates the continuing efforts of  
Church World Service, the World Council  
of Churches, and the Bangladesh Christian  
Council. Our United Church Board for  
World Ministries has contributed more  
than \$150,000 towards the BERRS annual  
budget of \$13 million.

Using both trained local staff and  
volunteers from abroad, BERRS has  
supplied miracle rice seed which made  
substantial contributions to the new  
nation's agricultural production, provided  
training to help people learn new skills,  
provided material and food-for-work pay  
for a house-building program which has  
enabled more than 30,000 families to have  
a home, and provided continuing medical  
work in many areas.

## Mildred Widber on 'Forgiveness'

Miss Mildred Widber gave the  
communion meditation on "Forgiveness"  
at the Maundy Thursday communion  
service at Pleasant Hill April 19, 1973. Miss  
Widber is now retired from her Christian  
Education activities in the United Church  
of Christ and lives at Uplands Retirement  
Center in Pleasant Hill, Tennessee.

## U. C. B. H. M. "Seed Money" Starts Successful Ventures

"Seed money" is money for a new  
venture which serves to attract additional  
money for permanent financing. Our  
United Church Board for Homeland  
Ministries has made a great deal of use of  
the practice of granting seed money to  
extend Our Christian World Mission.

The United Scholarship Service of  
Denver, Colorado, receives seed money —  
about \$35,000 per year — channeled by the  
UCBHM through the Council for  
American Indian Ministry. With the aid of  
additional funds from the Episcopal  
Church, the National Indian Youth  
Council, and private foundations, this  
amount has been expanded to provide  
counseling, experimental education pro-  
grams, and scholarships for about 150  
American Indian young people each year.

New College in Sarasota, Florida, was  
started with money from the Board —  
\$60,000 per year for ten years. Today, this  
seed money has attracted more than  
twenty million dollars from others.

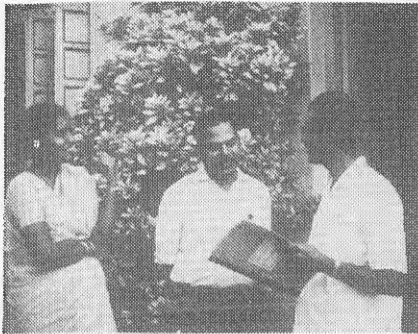
Ryder Memorial Hospital in Humacao,  
Puerto Rico, broke ground for a new,  
badly-needed building last September. The  
seed money invested in this institution  
ever since its founding in 1914 has helped to  
attract a million dollars from U. C. C.  
members in the Florida, Connecticut, and  
Massachusetts Conferences, and from  
individuals in Puerto Rico. This, in turn,  
attracted six million dollars in federal  
funds.

## Lillian Welch Voorhees

Dr. Lillian Welch Voorhees died on  
December 30, 1972 in Nashville,  
Tennessee. For forty-six years (1917-1963)  
she was a teacher of English, Speech, and  
Dramatics at Tougaloo College, Talladega  
College and Fisk University. Dr. Voorhees  
served as treasurer of Fisk Union Church  
(United Church of Christ) from 1944 to 1969  
and was a member of the Board of  
Directors and treasurer of the Eighteenth  
Avenue Youth Center in Nashville from  
1958 until her death.

She was a charter member of the  
National Association of Dramatic and  
Speech Arts, which she served as  
executive secretary from 1937 to 1942 and  
from 1947 to 1952. She was also a life  
member of the American Educational  
Theatre Association and the Speech  
Association of America.

## Spotlight: On Medical Work In Western India



Through our United Church Board for World Ministries, we have had a long history of supporting educational and medical work in Western India. Traditional medical and educational work is centered at Wai, where we have supported the Willis F. Pierce Memorial Hospital since 1908, and at Vadala, where the Fairbank-James Friendship Memorial Hospital has provided medical services to a large rural area since 1891.

Increasingly, the supervision of mission work in India is being carried out by citizens of India rather than by western missionaries. The close link between the various types of the mission in the Ahmednagar area is symbolized by the presence of Miss Pardhe, Mr. N. V. Cherian, and Rev. D. D. Patekar at a training meeting held last year.

Miss Pardhe is the headmistress of the Clara Bruce High School for Girls in Ahmednagar. This school includes a primary department with over 300 students and a high school department with over 500.

Mr. Cherian is head of the Leprosy Rehabilitation Program at Gorapur, part of the Vadala Mission. He is very concerned for the patients as individuals and hopes that with modern treatment now available many can be rehabilitated and returned to their villages. While resident in Gorapur, the patients receive training in better farming methods and in crafts. The UCBWM helped Mr. Cherian receive specialized training.

Rev. D. D. Patekar is the pastor of the church in Osmanabad. He received his education at Ahmednagar College and the United Theological College in Bangalore with help from the UCBWM. Currently, Mr. Patekar is the Registrar of the Marathi Mission.

## Franklin Thomas New Chairman For LLW

Our congratulations to Franklin Thomas on his election as Chairman of the Council for Lay Life and Work.

This Council is the instrumentality of the United Church of Christ responsible for increasing, developing and coordinating the activities and participation of laymen and laywomen in the church as a means of witnessing effectively for Jesus Christ in all areas of life.

Mr. Thomas' leadership comes at a strategic moment in the life of the Council when this Council is providing leadership in the Faith Exploration Events of the denomination.

Mr. Thomas is a member of Central Congregational Church in Atlanta, president of the National Alumni Association of Talladega College, and personnel director for the City of Atlanta.

Franklin and his wife Jean are both active in Central Church, as are also their four children.

## THREE NASHVILLE CHURCHES REPORT

Howard, Brookmeade, and First Churches in Nashville held a covered-dish supper in the fellowship hall of First Church preceding the joint Maundy Thursday service on April 19.

Melvin Hilton, member of First Church, Nashville, has been named by the Executive Council of the Ala.-Tenn. Association to organize and head a special task force on Public Relations. A select group of laymen from key areas will be organized, made aware of the various activities and projects of the Association, and then spread the word to the churches.

First Church, Nashville, is developing a youth-community center to be located in the unused portion of the ground floor of the Educational Building. The young Adult Fellowship, the Christian Education Committee, the Senior and the Junior Youth Groups are involved in this planning.



## The Meaning Of The Achievement Fund

The 17-76 ACHIEVEMENT FUND, a major campaign authorized by the General Synod of 1971, is now in full swing in Central Atlantic and Florida Conference. The Southeast Conference will be campaigning in 1974-75.

To help in familiarizing all members of the United Church of Christ with the campaign, the logo shown above is the official symbol of the 17-76 ACHIEVEMENT FUND.

This symbol was designed by Philadelphia artist Samuel Maitin. Within the design of two profiles burns the flame of knowledge. This figure is supported by a cruciform base. This logo will serve as a reminder of this campaign to support the UCC-related education institutions serving racial justice.

Extend Your Horizons  
Read Your  
Church Magazines